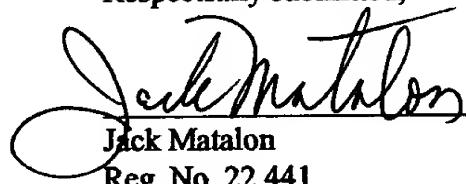


It is respectfully submitted however, that claims 55- 79 are clearly patentable over the prior art cited in the Information Disclosure Statement as originally filed as well as the prior art cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. Claims 55-79 are directed to a process for rejuvenating a spent catalyst comprising a catalytic trap material. None of the prior art cited in either Statement taken alone or in combination discloses or even hints at such a process.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the Examiner assigned to this application examine claims 55-79 as soon as practicable and promptly thereafter render an initial office action concerning such claims.

Respectfully submitted,

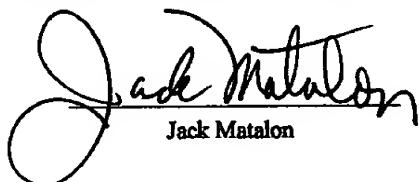


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